

Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Sept 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Present

Lynda Gonzalez Adrian McDaniel Eric Scott Jacqueline Cox

Absent

Betty Gosney Mike Koss Gregory Ware

Minutes

Council Member Linda Gonzalez moved to approve the minutes from the July Meeting.
Council Member Jacqueline Cox seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New Business

County Regional Parks: Bloomington Trail Project and Santa Ana River Trail Update

Bob Mitchell, Member of the County Trails and Greenways Committee, and Jim Canaday, Trail Coordinator for the County, presented the county's trails project for the Bloomington community. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Canaday were seeking community input to help identify potential trail routes in the community.

Staff Reports

California Highway Patrol – Officer Joe Ramos

Officer Ramos mentioned that they will be providing maximum enforcement on Labor Day weekend. He also reported that there was a fatality with a construction worker at a Yucaipa exit construction zone. He encouraged all to be cautious and slow down in construction zones and reminded all about the move over law for emergency vehicles. The number for the San Bernardino CHP office is 909-383-4247 for any questions or complaints.

Field Representative – Dan Flores

Mr. Flores indicated that Supervisor Gonzales has allocated funding for trail projects in Bloomington and Muscoy. He invited all in attendance to express what/where they would like to see for the trail project to the MAC or to him.

On a quick note he mentioned that at the last clean-up, 153 tons of trash was removed and it was a huge success. Mr. Flores wanted to thank everyone for their participation with National Night Out. There were about 300 people in attendance. He also reported that the Graffiti Hot Line number remains the same even though there was a change in contractor. The number is still 1-877-44-ABATE.

Finally the next meeting in October is going to be a very important meeting. The City of Rialto will attend and present the proposal for a large industrial development at the site of the El Rivino Country Club. He encourages all to attend and invite others to attend since this development will have an impact on the community. It will be an opportunity for the residents to voice their opinion and feelings on the project.

Sheriff's Dept. – Capt. Steve Kovensky

Regarding Bloomington Recycling, the department of justice was watching them and on the 31st a search warrant was issued and some arrests were made. There was a drive-by on Cedar and Valley the previous night, 9-01-2008. Two arrests were made and there were

recovered guns. Next, he moved on to thank everyone for showing up to National Night Out. Regarding the Juvenile Intervention program, it has been very successful but, they received a call of a burglary in progress and it turned out to be one of the kids that went through the program.

Special Districts –Tim Millington

Mr. Millington mentioned that the swim program was a success. The lessons ended August 15th and there were 9 sessions. Next year they plan to start the lessons earlier so that it can be an 8 week program rather than a 6 week program. He also mentioned that Kessler Park's snack bar looks really good. They got a brand new roof and they also installed new picnic tables. On National Night Out, they were still out there assembling them. Mr. Millington said that the new fire station should be resolved in the next couple of weeks. It will go before the Board of Supervisors. There is a \$95,000 CDBG grant that will go toward the fire station remodel. He also gave an update on the Veteran's Memorial. The alternate location that was chosen is right outside of Ayala Park next to the parking lot.

Old Business- Appointment of new Chair and Vice Chair of the MAC.

A motion was made by current Chair Eric Scott to appoint the current Vice Chair Adrian McDaniel to be the new Chair. Councilmember Lynda Gonzalez seconded the motion. All were in favor and Adrian McDaniel was appointed the new Chair of the Bloomington MAC.

A motion was made by Adrian McDaniel to nominate Gregory Ware as the new Vice Chair. It was seconded by Eric Scott. All were in favor, but since Councilmember Ware was not in attendance, he will be appointed as Vice Chair, pending his acceptance.

Items for Upcoming Meetings

Chairman Eric Scott mentioned that in October Kathy Springer from the museum is scheduled to come out and talk about the Great California Shake Out. New Chairman Adrian McDaniel suggested we try to get AQMD out in a future meeting to discuss the impact the new proposed industrial development will have on the air quality.

Member Reports

Lynda Gonzalez – Councilmember Lynda Gonzalez mentioned that on September 10th Colton Jointed Unified School District will be holding a special meeting at Colton Middle school from 6- 8 pm, about passing measure G that will go on the November ballot. She stated that in 2001 a Measure E was passed, giving them \$102 million dollars. She wants to see accountability for that money they already received. She invited all to attend.

Jaqueline Cox – Councilmember Cox said she is really concerned about the illegal parking because they report it over and over and nothing seems to happen.

Adrian McDaniel – Newly appointed Chair Adrian McDaniel stated that National Night Out was a success, and added that in the future he would like to bring issues that are of concern to Bloomington to the National Night Out event and bring awareness to the people who attend.

Eric Scott – Councilmember Eric Scott said National Night Out was fantastic. He also wanted it to be noted in the minutes that he was challenged to Water Wars by Field Representative Dan Flores. He mentioned that we will have someone out next month to talk about the Great California Shake Out. He suggested having a meeting to discuss community emergency response. If anyone wants to participate, contact him directly. The county provides free

training, and all it takes is interested people. He also said it was fun being Chair for the last year.

Public Comments

Members of the public may pick up a request to address the MAC from the Council Secretary. There is a limit of three minutes per request. The following speakers were given time to speak.

Randal Ceniseros

Mr. Ceniseros informed everyone that he is a father of 4 children who attend Colton Unified School District and he is a candidate for San Bernardino County Board of Education Area E. He encourages community input. He wants to address the unresolved budget, overcrowding, and the no child left behind program. He would also like to help modernize the schools, address other issues and get involved in putting the children first.

Eric Davenport

Mr. Davenport mentioned that Bloomington Corp. is trying to get the BOS to sponsor cityhood. They met with representatives from the 5th district and others from the Chair's office of the BOS. They are trying to get the BOS to sponsor the cityhood. Next week they are hoping to get the requirements out of the way and move forward. Next meeting he will speak about the specifics of what they have been doing.

Patricia Haro

She is a 16 year resident of the Fontana Southridge area. She is a strong advocate for children's education. She has been very involved with the school, she is a parent and cares about the children in the area and is a candidate for the school board.

Dave Jayne – SB Valley Riders

Mr. Jayne stated that October 11th is the handicap ride at Kessler Park starting at 9 am. He said that the communities support is needed. He said that the In N Out truck will be there.

Dave Soto-Bloomington Boosters

Mr. Soto said that the Boosters have been working on a memorial for all military personnel commemorating past, future and present military. They are hoping that it will be completed and dedicated by December 6th, the same day of the Christmas Parade. They will call it a Military Christmas. They will have flyers at local businesses to distribute to let the community know about it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 P.M. The next MAC meeting is scheduled for Oct 7, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

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